

THE TAJ MAHAL, AGRA, INDIA.

COME ON, CLARA,
GIVE US A SMILE.
YOU MAKE THE
WEEPING ANGELS
LOOK CHEERFUL!

BBC
DOCTOR WHO
ADVENTURES
EMPIRE'S FALL

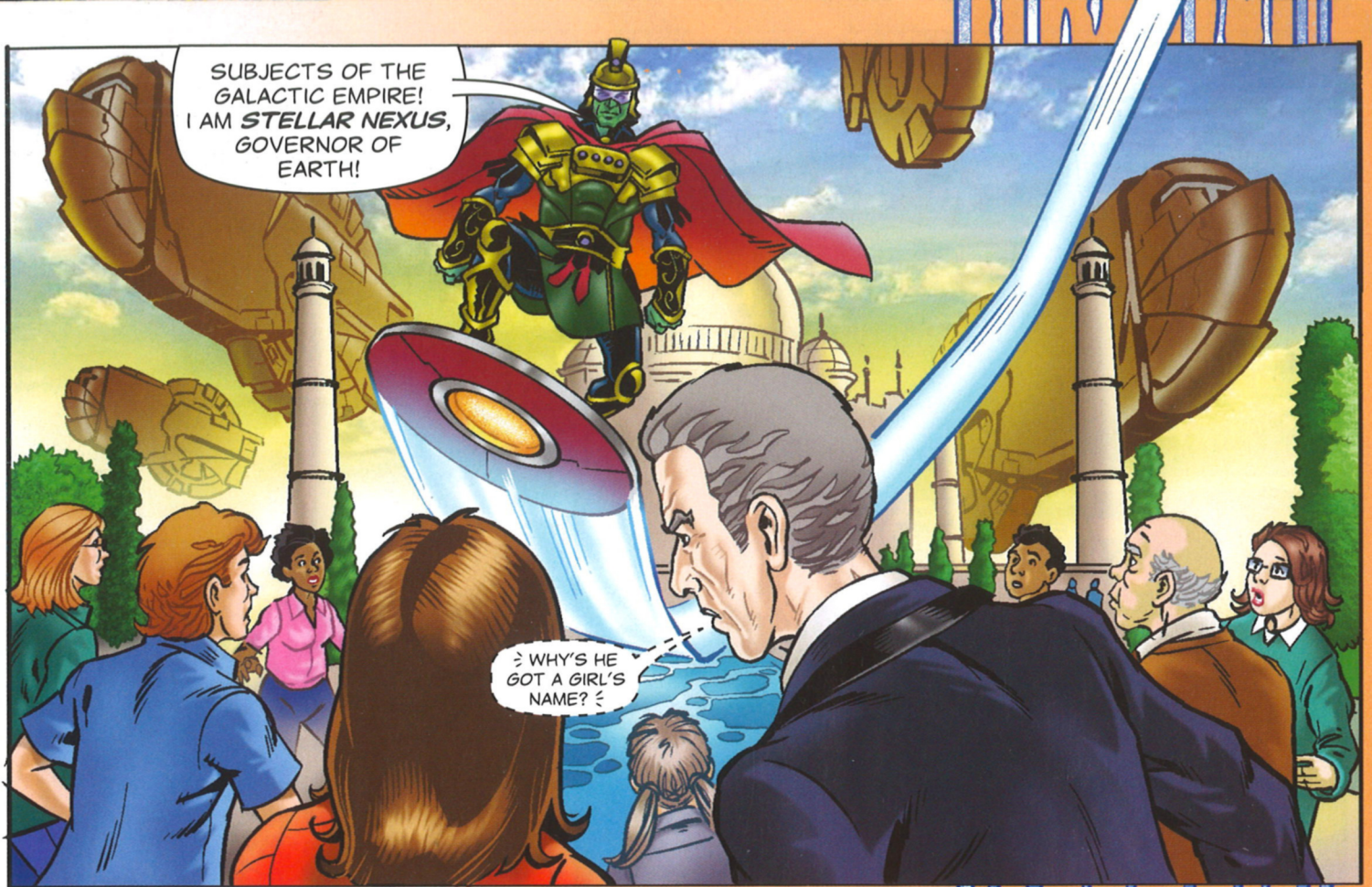
ERR... DOCTOR, I
THINK WE MIGHT
BE IN TROUBLE.

STOP WORRYING.
YOU'RE A *WORRIER*,
CLARA. DON'T WORRY.
WE'RE ON HOLIDAY.

MAYBE YOU
SHOULD TELL
THEM THAT.

OH. THEY
DEFINITELY
SHOULDN'T
BE HERE.

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HELLO, STELLIE. I'M **THE DOCTOR**. LOOK, I KNOW THIS IS A WEE BIT **EMBARRASSING** BUT YOU'RE **WRONG** ABOUT THAT TAX THING.

INDEED?

YOU'RE IN THE **WRONG** PLACE. EARTH **CAN'T** BE FIVE **BILLION** YEARS BEHIND IN TAX PAYMENTS. EARTH ISN'T EVEN THAT **OLD**. I'M AFRAID YOUR ACCOUNTANTS HAVE MADE A BIT OF A **BOO-BOO**.

THE **EMPIRE** DOES NOT MAKE **BOO-BOOS**! WE DIDN'T CONQUER THE **UNIVERSE** BY MAKING **BOO-BOOS**!

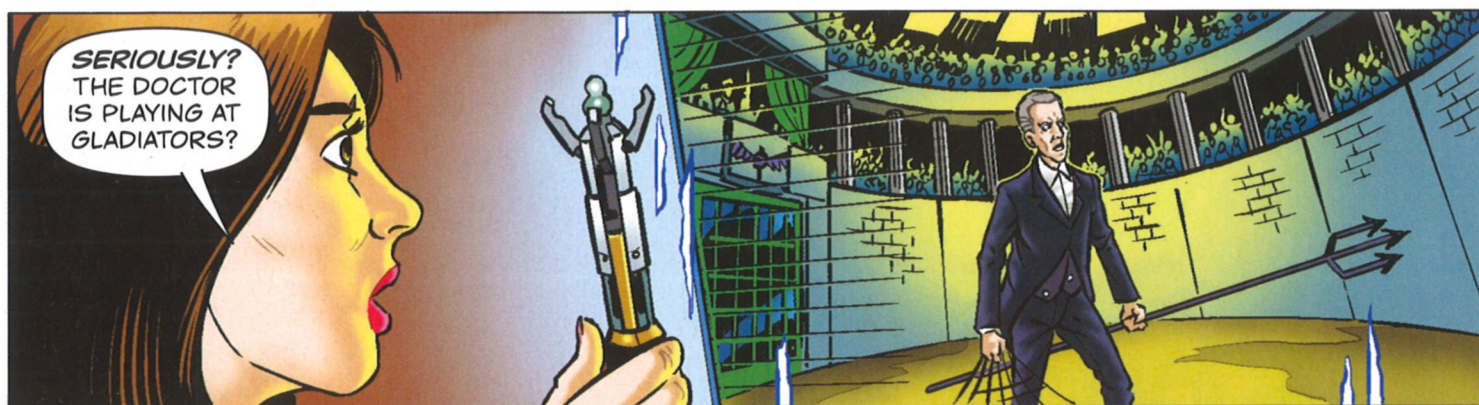
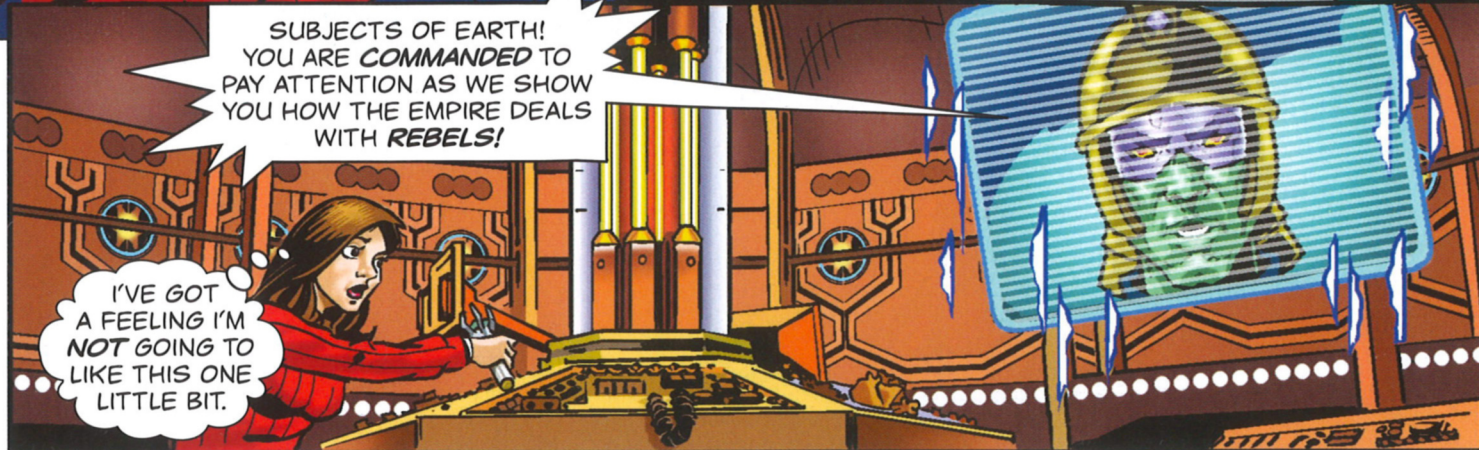
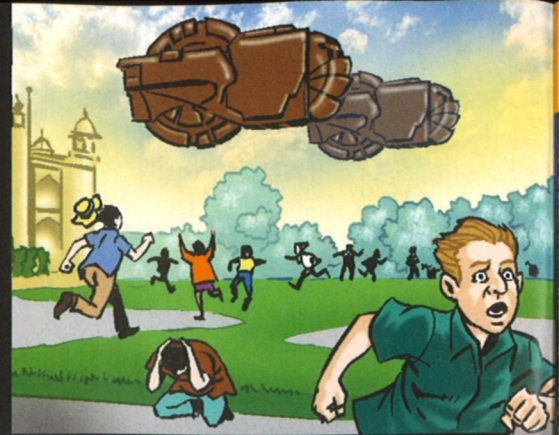
REALLY? WELL IF YOU'RE **EMPIRE** IS SO GREAT, HOW COME I'VE NEVER HEARD OF IT?

ENOUGH OF YOUR **INSOLENCE**!

CLICK!

YOU WILL SERVE AS AN **EXAMPLE** TO THESE **PRIMITIVES**. WE WILL **SHOW** THEM HOW WE DEAL WITH **TROUBLE-MAKERS**!

TROUBLE-MAKER? ME? OH, COME ON. WE WERE JUST HAVING A **FRIENDLY** DISCUSSION...



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FWOOOOSH!

VWOORRP! VWOORRP!

WH-- WHAT
NOW?



GET ME
UNIT ON
THE LINE.

WE HAVE
NO CHOICE BUT
TO MEET THE
EMPIRE'S
DEMANDS!

WE PAY
OR WE
PERISH!

BWA-HA-HA!
MY PLAN IS
WORKING LIKE
CLOCKWORK!

RESISTANCE
WILL RESULT
IN *DISASTER!*

THERE IS
LITTLE WE CAN
DO AT THIS
STAGE.

WITH THE
DOCTOR OUT OF THE
PICTURE WE HAVE
LITTLE REASONABLE
CHANCE OF
SUCCESS.

VWOORRP!
VWOORRP!

AH, AT
LAST!

YOU TOOK YOUR TIME!
WHAT KEPT YOU?

DOCTOR? YOU...
YOU'RE ALIVE! BUT
WHAT ABOUT THE
DRAGON? I SAW IT
ATTACK YOU!

WHAT **DRAGON**? THERE'S
NO SUCH THINGS AS
DRAGONS? I'VE BEEN
HERE ALL ALONG. NOW,
QUICK, INTO THE **TARDIS**,
WE CAN'T HANG AROUND
IN HERE ALL DAY.

CLARA, YOU REALLY **DON'T**
KNOW ME VERY WELL AT
ALL, DO YOU? NOW,
WHERE'S MY SONIC
SCREWDRIVER.

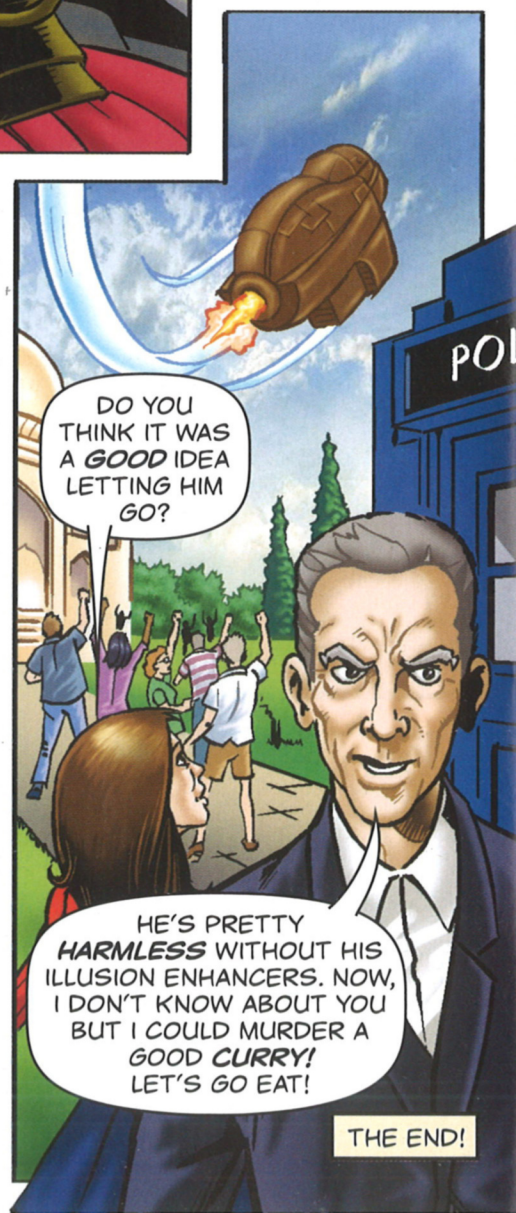
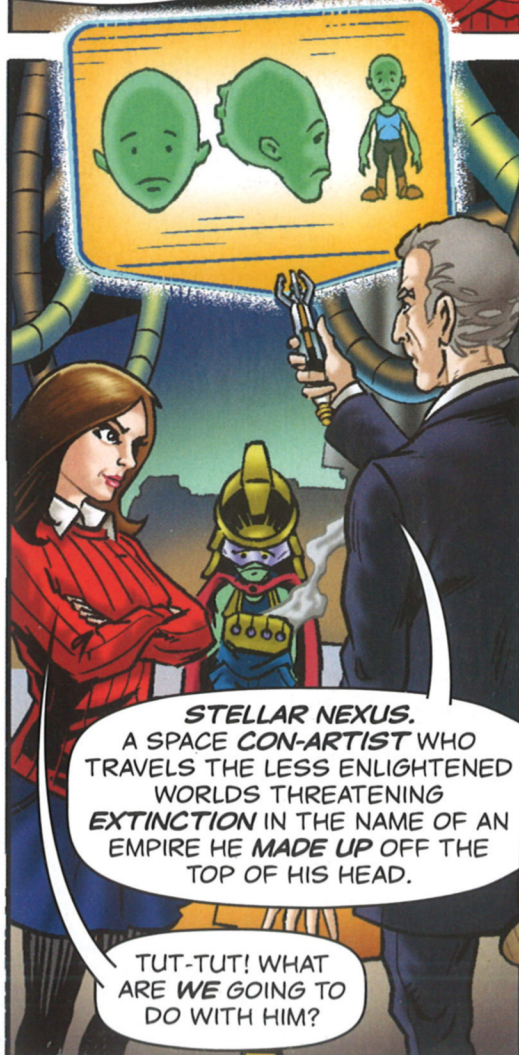
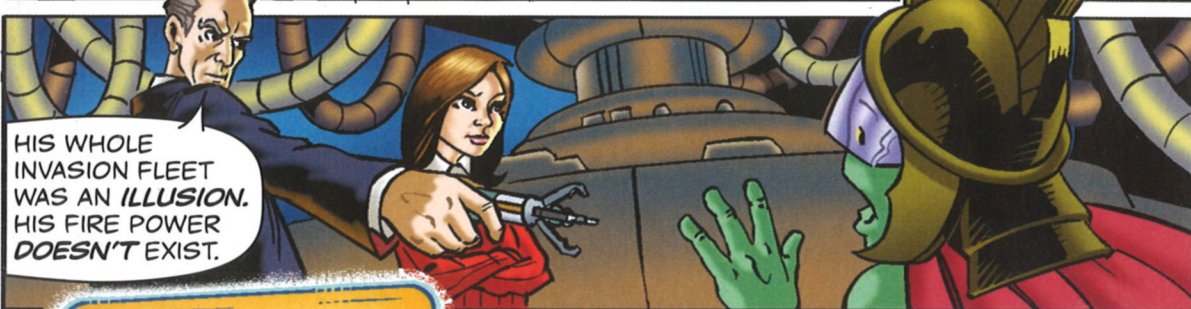
I'VE GOT
IT RIGHT
HERE --

WHAT? WE
CAN'T LEAVE! WE
HAVE TO **STOP** THE
GOVERNOR. WE...

NOT SO
FAST!

NOW, HAND
ME THE **KEYS** TO
YOUR CRAFT,
OR **DIE!**





THE END!